

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed June 4, 2003, claims 1-2, 6, and 8-12 were rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by USING AUTOCAD release 10 with 3-D; and claims 3-5 and 7 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected based claim. The foregoing objections and rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claims 1-12 are pending and under consideration.

Claims 1-12 are amended for clarification. No new matter is presented.

Claims 3-5 and 7 are amended into independent form. Withdrawal of the objections to claims 3-5 and 7 is respectfully requested.

USING AUTOCAD Release 10 with 3-D discusses creating a simple drawing with lines, circles, arc, and points, changing parts of the drawing by editing the drawing, producing 3-D (three-dimensional) and perspective models, and drawing in 3-D.

However, in contrast to the present invention, USING AUTOCAD does not discuss or suggest "displaying, on said display screen, in-the-making configurations from a first basic configuration as a start configuration down to the final three-dimensional" as recited in each of independent claims 1, 2, 11, and 12 (using the recitation of claim 1 as an example).

That is, USING AUTOCAD does not discuss or suggest displaying in the making configurations, as in the present invention.

Support for the foregoing feature of the present invention is disclosed in Fig. 6 of the present application, which shows four "in-the-making" configurations.

Accordingly, USING AUTOCAD does not discuss or suggest the additional features of the present invention (also as recited in independent claims 1 and 2, using the recitation of claim 1 as an example) "selecting one of the in-the-making configurations displayed", and "setting as an edit target the basic configuration finally combined with respect to the selected in-the-making configuration" (emphasis added).

Dependent claims 6, 8, 9, and 10 recite patentably distinguishing features of their own. For example, claim 6 recites "deleting the edit target basic configuration from the combination of the basic configuration forming the final three-dimensional configuration".

Withdrawal of the rejections of claims 1, 2, 6, and 8-12 is respectfully requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.


Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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